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THE GRAND DUCHESS ELIZABETH ROMANOV SOCIETY UK, **EAST COWES TOWN COUNCIL AND BARTON MANOR PRESENT**

A PROGRAMME OF EVENTS DEDICATED TO THE

Centenary of the Martyrdom of the Russian Imperial Family and Grand Duchess Elizabeth Romanov 6th – 8th of July 2018

EAST COWES, ISLE OF WIGHT

HIGHLIGHTS

- Unveiling of the ROMANOV MONUMENT in the Jubilee Park, East Cowes.
- Opening of the EXHIBITION "The Cross of the Romanovs" at Barton Manor, near Osborne House.
- CONCERT of Russian Spiritual and Folk Music by the St Elisabeth Convent Choir from Minsk, Belarus.

TALKS:

- "The Last Imperial Family: Martyrs or Passion-Bearers?" by Metropolitan Kallistos. (Oxford University).
- "The Imperial Tea Party": book launch by the author, Frances Welch.
- "Fr Nicholas Gibbes: The First English Disciple of Tsar Nicholas II" by Fr Andrew Philips (Parish of St John of Shanghai, Colchester).
- Storytelling PERFORMANCE by Anna Conomos: "The Grand Duchess Elizabeth Romanov". MARKET:
- Russian handicrafts, icons and books.

Programme

Friday 6 th July	
17.30 - 19.30 20.00 - 21.30	Preview of the Exhibition "THE CROSS OF THE ROMANOVS" at Barton Manor, East Cowes (by invitation). The exhibition will present rare archival photographs, films and documents, along with some artefacts and belongings of the Romanov family and Grand Duchess Elizabeth, from private collections. It will feature the Russian Imperial House links to the Royal House of Windsor and the last days of the Tsar's family and of the Grand Duchess Elizabeth and their Martyrdom in July 1918. Concert at the Town Hall, East Cowes. St Elisabeth's Convent Choir (Minsk)
20.00 – 21.30	and Classical Music. Tickets will be on sale.
Saturday 7 th July	
8.30 - 10.30	Orthodox Liturgy at St James's Church, East Cowes. Bishop Irenei (Steenberg) of Sacramento, Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia.
10.00 – 17.00	The exhibition is open for everybody.
11.30	Unveiling of the Romanov monument (sculptor Elena Bezborodova) in the Jubilee Park, East Cowes. Prayers, speeches, choir.
11.00 – 17.00	Russian Market at Barton Manor.
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch at Barton Manor (by invitation).
14.00 – 16.00	Guided tours and talks:
	• "The Last Imperial Family: Martyrs or Passion-Bearers?"
	by Metropolitan Kallistos. (Oxford University).
	 "Fr Nicholas Gibbes: The First English Disciple of Tsar Nicholas II" by Fr Andrew Philips (Parish of St John of Shanghai, Colchester).
	The Last Days of the Romanovs: Sydney Gibbes as a British Witness" • "The Last Days of the Romanovs: Sydney Gibbes as a British Witness"
	by Fr Stephen Platt (Oxford parish of St Nicholas). To be confirmed.
	"The Imperial Tea Party": book launch by the author, Frances Welch.
16.00 – 17.00	Showing of the archival footage.
18.00	Orthodox Vespers at St Mildred's Royal Church, Whippingham.
	Bishop Irenei (Steenberg) of Sacramento, Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia
19.30	Reception at Albert Cottage (by invitation).
Sunday 8 th July	
08.30 - 10.30	Orthodox Liturgy, Carisbrooke Castle, Newport. Bishop Irenei (Steenberg)
	of Sacramento, Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia.
	Followed by tea and snacks.
11.00 – 17.00	The exhibition is open for visitors. Market stalls at Barton Manor.

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Activities in parallel with the exhibition:
Visit to Osborne House (English Heritage).
Pilgrimage to St Boniface Church, Bonchurch.
Lunch.
Storytelling performance by Anna Conomos "The Grand Duchess Elizabeth
Romanov", at Barton Manor.
Tea Party at Barton Manor (by invitation).